

ASHLAND OPTIMIST CLUB

Meeting Saturday Mornings @ 7:30 A.M. Optimist Drive, Ashland, MO 65010

February 23 2019

"You cannot do all the good the world needs, but the world needs all the good you can do."

Optimist Board

Janet Popejoy **President Missy Bonderer** 1st VP 2nd VP Lena Long **Bill Lloyd** Past Pres. **Barrett Glascock Secretary Eric Barmann Treasurer Bruce Glascock** 2019 2019 **Bernie Bartel Letitia DenHartog** 2019 **Robert Blake** 2020 Shawn Steelman 2020 **Greg Hawkins** 2020

COMING UP

Board Meeting- Mar. 14, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

Website: Ashlandoptimist.org

TAKE A MINUTE TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO MADE US STRONG:

Carroll Sapp - 1987 "Buddy" Glascock - 1988 William Burnett – 1992 Remus James - 1994 Ron Marley – 1997 Cecil Vaughn - 2001 Billy Jo Sapp – 2004 Marvin Sappington – 2004 Arcie Sapp – 2005 Kenneth Nichols – 2006 Lahmon Wren – 2007 Joe Smith - 2009 Jimmy Jo Calvin- 2009 Bob Sappington – 2010 Clifford Caldwell-2013 Mel Rupard-2013 Ernest Woods—2013 John Johnson—2013 Michael Dalton--2013 Jim Moore--2016 Carl Long--2016 Don Jones-2017 Clav Austin-2017 Sharon Donley-2017 Ben Nieman- 2017 Nick Kimbler- 2018

Barbara Perry- 2018

Bingo: Mar. 1- Team One

Breakfast: Mar. 2- Chris Felmlee, Glenn Sapp, Cindy

Gunter

Program- Jenny Brooks from Women & Children's

Hospital on Children's Safety

We are planning on holding a NOW breakfast (New Optimists Welcome) for April 6th. We are requesting that everyone comes for breakfast and invites a guest. Barrett Glascock will speak about the history of our club and Chris Felmlee will speak about why our club is important to the Southern Boone schools and the community. Please let Ernie Wren know if you plan to attend and bring a guest!

Barrett will be taking orders for shirts from anyone who is interested. There are polo shirts, as well as long and short sleeve t-shirts available.

We had 169 players at Bingo on Friday night. They tried to eat everything that the kitchen had, including enough nachos and Frito pies that we went through three cans of cheese sauce. They sold a horse race and several other special games on the floor and four Southern Boone residents took home 25% of the money that was given out.

We are sending Colton Hammett to Boys State and Hannah Rice to Girls State this year and accepted Heather and Jason Martin as new members into the club at the Board meeting on Feb. 13th.

Our local Boy Scouts had held a sleep-over at the Optimist building and provided a delicious breakfast on Saturday morning. Janet shared a thank you card that was sent to the club from the Third-grade classes for the dictionaries that were handed out earlier this year. Janet also shared information from the Tri-District Centennial Conference that she attended in Kansas City on Feb. 15-17. Our club received several recognition patches, including one for our club's donation to Optimist International which included a large donation by Jim Green.

Then Janet shared some history of the Optimists. The first Optimist meeting was held in Buffalo, New York in 1911. The Creed that we recite wasn't included until 1922. By 1955, Optimists reached a thousand clubs, by 1969, membership topped 100,000, the Optimist Foundation was approved in 1971, and we became "The Friend of Youth" in 1972. Women were finally allowed into the Optimist clubs as of 1987 and we started the Childhood Cancer Campaign in 2001.

After Janet was finished sharing about the history of Optimists and talking about the Conference, the ten scouts and their leaders had a chance to talk about some of the activities they have participated in lately, including earning a clear bead for camping when the temperatures were -4 degrees and earning a clear boot for participating in a two mile hike while temperatures were below 0 degrees.

The boys also drew for the Attendance drawing. Don Logan, Mike Gilmore, and Ernie Stewart all missed their chance at riches as well as a delicious breakfast. Because it was the final meeting of February, Barrett did his figuring for the Poker Pot and Mike Fulca was glad to say, "It pays to attend!"

Letitia DenHartog